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TO : Chief, Industrial Division

FROM : Chief, Guided Missile Branch

SUBJECT: Monthly Report, September 1958

DATE: 1 October 1958

1. Status of Branch Projects:

- ✓ DAZ a. Project 37.2123: Branch review of this project, which assesses the involvement of the former Dnepropetrovsk Automotive Plant (DAZ) in the Soviet guided missile program, has indicated a need for reorganization of the paper. Additional broad analysis of the possible implications of the activities of the plant is also required. The content of the paper will be affected by (1) initial returns, now being received or expected shortly from various collection programs, including the [REDACTED] and exploitation of a refugee source in the U.S.; and (2) analyses nearing completion [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Still another problem associated with this project has been the unwillingness of DD/P to reveal information concerning the one (and only) source who directly identified DAZ as a missile producer. This information is considered essential to a proper evaluation of the source's reports and to effective further exploitation of the source's potential. The branch is currently preparing a formal request to DD/P for a meeting with the case officer to review these problems and agree upon a course of action for additional exploitation.
- b. During September, after some delay in coordination, a Part II item was published in the OCI Weekly Review summarizing and assessing the evidence of a guided missile production or operational training program in Communist China. This item was based on a CSM draft submitted by I/GM, which will be published in CSM form shortly.

- ✓ *con aspects* c. Project 37.2370: The assignment of a well-qualified USIB officer, [REDACTED] to the branch has permitted a start to be made on this project, which will analyze the economic factors involved in various possible methods

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of operational deployment of Soviet guided missile systems. During the past month, an assessment has been made of available data bearing on the problem and planning for additional data collection has begun.

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- Evidence of production S-357 bulk.*
- d. Projects 37.2391-2-3: The status of these projects is currently under review in the branch. The initial task of locating, organizing and assessing the available data in each of these subject areas has been largely completed. Although the projects are expected to generate additional collection guidance materials, it seems unlikely that they will result in formal reports. Specific recommendations with respect to these projects will be submitted in the near future.

2. Status of Support Projects:

- Next*
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- Project 37.2414*
- a. Project 37.2414: The branch's formal contribution to this project, consisting of a cost analysis of an assumed Soviet guided missile program (1954-1963), was submitted to ONE during September (IP-634). The contribution pointed out that the program under consideration implied conditions which very nearly conflicted with the governing assumptions of the entire study. As a result of discussions relating to this contribution and the individual problems which it highlighted, and subsequent discussions at the initial USIB Reps. meeting, a number of program changes have been made which are being incorporated into a supplemental contribution.
 - b. Project 37.2122: Progress on this project has been seriously delayed by the removal of the responsible analyst from branch jurisdiction for the entire month of September. Nevertheless, it is hoped that the work done during the month by other branch personnel will permit completion of the project in October.
 - c. Completion of the briefing paper (S-357) requested by the Chairman, GMIC, for the CCPC and possible presentation to the NSC has been deferred until October. The paper will analyze in some detail the major problems affecting the collection of intelligence on Soviet production of guided missiles.
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- b. At the request of another agency, a branch of key importance in our efforts to locate Soviet guided missile production facilities was briefed on the responsibilities, analytical techniques and principal requirements of I/GM. A member of GMD/OSI presented a brief statement on his component to the same group.

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4. Future Plans:

- a. It is anticipated that an invitation will be extended to one or more members of the branch to attend a 2-day orientation program on the entire Jupiter missile system, including inspection of all associated equipment. This program will be presented at the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama in the latter part of October.
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- b. A detailed proposal for essential training programs for branch personnel for the remainder of Fiscal Year 1959 is now being prepared.

5. Recommendations:

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Problems

It is recommended that efforts be intensified to locate and obtain the services of a qualified officer to replace [REDACTED] whose tour of duty with the Agency will be completed in early October.

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